GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2036
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COIMBATORE MUSLIMS RELIEF FUND
MANI SHANKAR AIYAR

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether he is aware of the Coimbatore Muslims Relief Fund,established by the Tamil Nadu Mulsim Munnetra Kazhagam, to give relief and rehabilitationto the victims of the riots in Coimbatore in November-December 1997 and the bomb blasts in early 1998;

(b) whether notices have been issued to the organizers of the Fund to pay taxes on the contributions made to the fund;

(c) if so, whether the Fund is not entitled for tax exemption for the contributions received; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI V.DHANANJAYA KUMAR)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) & (d) : The entitlement of the Fund for tax exemption canbe examined only after receipt of the return of income which has not been filed so far.